

PLEASANT DAY FOR THE ORPHANS

They Spent Yesterday on Wrightsville Beach—Dinner at the Seashore—Sail to Greenville Sound—Surf Bathing. Entertainment Tonight.

Yesterday morning the orphans, in charge of the committee, went down to Wrightsville Beach, and on arriving at the Seashore hotel, they were welcomed by Mr. Hinton, and soon made to feel at home. Miss Mamie Alderman, one of the children's truest friends, accompanied the party as the special guest of the Odd Fellows. After resting awhile, the party was taken in charge by Captains Oscar Grant and George Harris, and going aboard of Mr. Harris' yacht, the party sailed over to Greenville Sound, a trip that the little ones enjoyed very much. On their return to the beach, refreshments were served, and then came dinner, and the children, who were the guests of Mine Host Hinton, were served with such a dinner as will long be remembered by them. The children most heartily appreciate this kindness, and the fraternal at large justly acknowledges Mr. Hinton's kindness to the little ones. Professor Miller and band went down with the children and furnished delightful music.

The 2.30 p. m. train carried down the members of the Grand Encampment, and a large number of Odd Fellows and their families, and when they arrived at the beach, were given a hearty greeting by the little ones. About this time, Mr. Hinton served the party with refreshments, and some of the Odd Fellows took down a lot of fruit and the children feasted again.

Then came the surf bathing—Odd Fellows and children all in old ocean and enjoying themselves to their heart's content.

Here came another act of kindness of Mr. Hinton—bath suits for the children, with his kindest regards, and the children then gave a concert at the hotel, and their singing was enjoyed by all, and everybody was loud in praise of them.

When that big-hearted big Odd Fellow from Fayetteville passed around among the little ones, he did not forget it, each one received a token of his personal friendship.

On time, every one boarded the train for the city, after having passed a most pleasant time. These children are proud of Odd Fellowship, and the members of the order are equally as proud of the children.

The committee return their sincere thanks to Mr. Hinton and to Captain Oscar Grant, of the Seashore Railroad, for the favors shown to the children.

The children will be given a reception by the ladies of Letitia Rebecca Lodge, No. 2, to night at 8.15 o'clock in Cape Fear lodge room, and request those with whom the children are stopping, to have them on hand promptly. The orphans will leave for Goldsboro tomorrow morning, and they must be at the Atlantic Coast Line depot by 9 o'clock.

CAPE FEAR ACADEMY

Professor Catlett Has Engaged a Competent Assistant—The Fall Session Opens September 18th.

The Messenger announced a few days ago that Prof. Washington Catlett, principal of Cape Fear Academy, had been elected county superintendent of public instruction. The duties of school superintendent will take some of Professor Catlett's time, but will not prevent him from giving close attention to his excellent school. He has, however, engaged a very competent assistant in the person of Mr. C. A. Wright, of Virginia, so that the academy will offer superior advantages in the preparation of young men for college and in giving them a practical education for the duties of life.

Prof. Wright is a young man and he comes highly recommended as an experienced and most efficient teacher. He is an alumnus of the college of William and Mary, and a graduate of the University of Nashville. For some time he was instructor of languages in Bedford College, Tenn., and subsequently he organized and for two years was principal of the excellent graded and high school at Timmonsville, S. C. He recently came to Wilmington as district manager of the Bankers' Union of the World, and Prof. Catlett is fortunate to have discovered him for his assistant.

The fall term of the Academy opens September 18th.

Prof. Catlett informs us that the Ellis system of bookkeeping will be introduced in the academy at this session.

THE STREET WORK

Several Gangs of Hands Laying Macadam on Different Streets—The Thoroughfares on Which Rock is Now Being Laid

Mr. James W. Perry, superintendent of streets, with a force of hands and carts, commenced yesterday the laying of macadam on Chestnut street between Third and Fourth streets. This street is to be macadamized from Front street to Fifth. The macadam is to be 30 feet in width, and the improvement will be one long needed.

Superintendent Perry now has several forces of hands and carts at work macadamizing the streets that have already been surfaced. One force is putting rock on Fifth street from Dock to Nun streets, and another is macadamizing Fifth street between Walnut and Red Cross streets. The macadam has already been laid on Fifth from Dock to Walnut streets and it has been rolled and completed, making a very fine roadway. When completed, Fifth street will be macadamized from Red Cross street to Ann street.

The laying of stone on Walnut street from Fourth to Fifth street, has been done, and only needs rolling to complete the work. Grace street has been macadamized from Fourth street (in front of Grace M. E. church) to Fifth street, and is finished with the exception of rolling.

Superintendent Perry has 27 hands and 25 drivers and carts at work on these improvements.

Did You Ever Notice That—Cold coffee is apt to make a man hot? The smaller a man's mind is the less he seems to know it?

The man who is in love with himself has no fear of being jilted.

The rooster is a tidy bird? He invariably carries a comb with him.

The water shark bites a man's leg off, but the land shark merely pulls it? A seventeen-year-old girl refers to herself as an old maid with amusing frankness?

The woman who doesn't talk has less repenting to do than the garrulous individual?

THE INSURANCE MEN.

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The address of welcome was made by Mr. H. R. Bryan, Jr., of New Bern, and was responded to by Col. Walker Taylor. A court of appeals was established, consisting of the president and two members of the executive committee, who are to adjust any differences which may exist between this and other associations, and also among the members of this association.

The following delegates were elected to represent this association at the meeting of the National Association of Fire Underwriters, at Milwaukee on the 31st instant: Alex. Webb, of Raleigh; Jas. Southgate, of Durham; C. T. Rawls, of Asheville; George Henderson, of New Bern; Walker Taylor, of Wilmington.

The officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows: President—Walker Taylor. First vice president—C. T. Rawls. Second vice president—B. G. Cowper. Third vice president—Geo. Henderson.

Secretary and treasurer—W. J. Griswold.

Executive committee—H. T. Macon, F. K. Ellington, C. F. Harvey, A. B. Daingerfield and Jas. H. Southcock. The time and place for the next meeting of the association was left with the executive committee.

There was a large attendance at the meeting and much business of interest to insurance writers was transacted.

PERSONAL MENTION.

N. A. McLean, Esq., of Lumberton, was here yesterday.

Mr. A. Pickett, of Morganton, was on our streets yesterday.

Miss Hattie Westbrook, of Faison, is on a visit to Miss Maggie St. George of Southport.

Miss Alice Little, of Wilson, who has been the guest of friends in the city, returned home last night.

Miss Lizzie Westbrook, of Faison, after visiting Mrs. C. W. Westbrook in this city, is now visiting friends at Wallace.

The Messenger had a very agreeable visit yesterday from Henry Jerome Stockard, one of the two best poets of North Carolina. He is now a professor at that superior Presbyterian school for girls at Raleigh, Peace Institute, so long established. We congratulate the institute upon securing Professor Stockard's services. He is visiting Wilmington in the interest of the school. For some years he has been in the faculty of the Fredericksburg (Va.) Presbyterian seminary.

The Grand Ratification Meeting at Willard

The Messenger acknowledges with thanks an invitation through Mr. J. A. Stanford, chairman of the reception committee, to attend the picnic and grand ratification meeting at Willard, Duplin county, on next Friday, August 24th. A great time is anticipated on this occasion, and a tremendous crowd will be in attendance. Governor C. B. Aycock and Congressman Jno. D. Bellamy will be the speakers.

Rural Mail Boxes

The regulation boxes for the use of persons who get the benefit of the rural free mail delivery, have arrived here and yesterday morning Mail Carrier W. H. Mills took out a number in his buggy so they can be put up along the route. All persons who are to get the free mail delivery in the country will have to provide themselves with boxes. No mails will be delivered to families who do not comply with this requirement of the service.

False to His Client

"I shall have to make a lawyer out of that boy of mine. I don't see any way out of it," declared the well-known attorney with a laugh. "He came into my office the other day, on his way home from school, and laid a nickel down on the desk before me. 'What is this for, son?' I asked. 'Retainer,' he answered, soberly. 'Very well,' said I, entering into the joke. 'What have I been retained upon?'"

"My boy dug down into his pocket and produced a note from his teacher and placed it before me without comment. It was to the effect that he had been 'cutting up,' and advised a whipping."

"Now, what would you advise?" asked he in a business like voice after I had read the note and saw the trap that the young rascal led me into. "I think that our first move should be to apply for a change of venue," said I.

"Very well," he answered, you're handling the case.

"Then, we will turn the note over to your mother, said I.

"I saw the young imp's face fall at this, but he braced up and said: 'See here, pop, you're bound to see me through on this 'cause you've accepted my retainer, you know!'"

"I'll argue your case before the court," I answered, but you'll have to accept the decision. I would not dare attempt to influence the court."

"Well, I pleaded the boy's case, promptly had it thrown out of court, and the boy got what he deserved—a good whipping."

It was the first time I ever played false to a client.—Detroit Free Press.

Killed by Lightning

Asheville, N. C., August 18.—Pierce Sauve, bookkeeper of the First national bank of Tampa, Fla., was killed by lightning here today. He was 30 years of age and married.

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NORTH CAROLINA.

Greensboro Telegram: A runaway couple from Lexington, exceeding anxious to be married, came to Greensboro last night. They were Mr. Fred O. Shank, local at the Davidson Dispatch, and Miss Mary Cecil.

Having effectually disposed of the negro voters, it now devolves upon the democratic party to rid the state of those nigger postmasters who have thus far succeeded in conducting their duties just about well enough to keep out of the penitentiary.—Mt. Olive Advertiser.

The political campaign is over, the battle of the ballots has been fought, the victory won for white man's rule and good government in the state. Now for the campaign of education, the battle against prejudice and parsimoniousness, the victory over ignorance and superstition. North Carolina must be lifted to a higher plane intellectually.—Henderson Gold Leaf.

Durham Herald: The cotton mill labor organization matter has reached an acute stage and may result in some unexpected developments at any time. The management of the Erwin mill has taken steps looking towards the extermination of the organization and the men are equally as firm that the organization shall exist and will not give it up. Rather than give up the organization the men will all work out their notice of two weeks and then look for position elsewhere. It is no child's play with them.

The republicans of this section have always belittled the claim that negroes could dominate the politics of even the negro counties, but the recent election shows that they have for once dominated Caldwell county. The legislative ticket in this county was defeated by a majority. The negro vote in the county is over 200. So it is plain to anyone that the negro vote brought about the result. Adams' majority was 24. Eliminate the negro vote and Aycock would have had over 200 majority. This negro vote not only gave us a notable defeat, but it was a defeat, but came very near electing a county solicitor very nearly as incompetent.—Lenoir Topic.

Wilkesboro Chronicle, 8th: Mr. R. N. Hackett had a narrow call Thursday night. He had been to Mulberry precinct and had remained till after the count was finished, which was after midnight. He had come about a mile towards home when he was jumped out of the woods and stopped his horse and buggy. Hackett reached for his pistol and as he did so, one of the men fired at him, the ball passing through the coat sleeve and grazing the left arm. Hackett fired at the man "holled." The horse jumped forward knocking one man down, and ran for some distance before he became under control. Hackett shot twice and the would-be assassins shot twice or more. The horse doubled back and fusion enemies of Mr. Hackett, who were filled with fusion incendiary advice and mean corn, are the guilty ones.

At last this week's Caucasian has let the cat out of the bag, and editorially announced that the populists will not support Bryan for the presidency, but vote for McKinley. This is the issue that the Messenger is concerned we are not surprised to see the editorial announcement of Butler in his paper, and we are further inclined to say we have read no news item of recent date that affords us more pleasure than the one in the atmosphere of North Carolina. It does away with the possibility of compelling the Democrats to be "cheek by jowl" with Butler in order to carry the state for Bryan. Altogether the editorial of the Caucasian will afford some amusement to the true friends of Bryan and Stevenson in the state, the most refreshing reading they had in a long time.—Washington Gazette.

There is great fear among forces hostile to the democratic ticket in this state that the negro will be made an issue in the coming election. We want to assure all such that their worst fears will certainly be realized. The negro vote in the coming election, not the only issue, but certainly an issue. Does any white man suppose that the white people of this state will say nothing of the wholesale appointment of negro postmasters by McKinley? Is the appointment of negro postmasters, negro mail carriers, negro clerks, a negro collector of customs at the principal port in the state, any more acceptable to the white people of the state than the election of negro magistrates and judges, negro officers? Who is going to defend the republican administration for appointing fifteen negro postmasters in one county alone in this state? What white man is going to condemn the democrats if they use this in the campaign.—Charlotte News.

Raleigh News and Observer: At his home near Wakefield, about twenty miles northeast of this city, on Sunday afternoon Mr. Roscher P. Chamberlain committed suicide. The deed was caused by ill health and the depression arising from suffering.—Rev. A. A. Butler, who has entered upon his duties as pastor of Fayetteville Street Baptist church, has been warmly welcomed to Raleigh. He is a native of Franklin county, a graduate of Wake Forest, and comes highly commended.

—W. H. Holder, colored, was arraigned before Justice Nichols yesterday charged with stealing money and false pretense, by claiming that he was authorized to collect money for Mercy Lodge, of the Knights of Gideon. The Hon. S. Otto Wilson, formerly of Rhamkette, but now of Franklin county, arrived early and stayed in late to attend the committee meeting. Otto is chairman of the committee, and while here he freely discussed men and measures. "The populists will not support Bryan," he said. "I have talked to dozens of them and they will not find one that will not vote for McKinley."

The Free Press thinks that the negro should not figure as strongly as it did in the state campaign, as a republican president has less offices to appoint negroes to in North Carolina; but it is a fact that McKinley, the republican president and nominee to succeed himself, has appointed negro postmasters in North Carolina, and if he is reelected will be likely to appoint more negroes to office in North Carolina. Most white people in North Carolina do not want such a man elected president. There is not a particle of doubt in our mind that the New Bern Journal and the Raleigh Post are giving great comfort and some aid toward the republican party by the stand they take in the matter. Republicans are greatly pleased with the stand they are taking. The negro issue is a legitimate one in North Carolina in this presidential campaign, for the reason that the amendment does not go into effect until July, 1902, and negroes can vote next November, and the stand they are taking. The negro has appointed 27 negroes as postmasters in North Carolina.—Kinston Free Press.

STATE PRESS.

Kinston Free Press: Dr. J. M. Parrott has been invited to deliver an address before the Mississippi Valley Medical association, which meets in Asheville on October 8th.

We endorse the sentiment that is being agitated by several of our country folk who say they intend to enter an earnest protest against any man who voted and worked against the amendment, being placed in charge of any of the public schools.—Greensboro Record. Greensboro Record: A South Greensboro man, living on Bellevue street—and he's a Quaker, too—claims to have a cow that gives butter milk, as well as sweet milk. The cow was bought in Randolph county a year or two ago. He informs us that the milk had been getting a little "mixed" for several months, and only last night was the sweet and butter milk divided. From two of the teats he milked butter milk and from the other two a rich quality of sweet milk.

prominent northern manufacturer who is strong supporter of McKinley, said to a southerner a few days ago: "I do not understand why it is, but there has been in the past few weeks a strong drift to Bryan. I regret it, and confess myself unable to account for it, but it is so." Mr. Josephus Daniels, national committeeman from North Carolina, who has just returned from Indianapolis and Chicago, says the democrats in the middle west are confident of Bryan's election. They regard Indiana as certain for Bryan and expect him to carry Ohio, Michigan, Illinois and several other states that he lost last year.—Charlotte News.

Salisbury Truth-Index: A young lady from Greensboro was taken up the western road last night to spend perhaps many a long weary day in some dreary room in the asylum at Morganton. It was a pitiful sight and the story a sad one. She, like every one else, had a lover. He had apparently been a devoted one for more than a year. Her heart had been besieged and the cruel enemy entered. They were to have been married two weeks ago last Tuesday but as the hour arrived and she was on the way of that state of perfect happiness a note was handed her which ran thus: "I am gone. I love another. Goodbye."

Fayetteville Observer: Mr. J. M. Davis, the Harnett member of the board of canvassers, which met at Roseboro yesterday, to canvass the vote for senators for the district composed of Sampson, Harnett and Bladen arrived here from Roseboro this afternoon. He says the board gave certificates of election to George H. Currie, democrat, of Bladen, and Evander Robertson, populist of Sampson. Thus a democrat and populist will represent that district in the senate. The reason why Mr. Currie was elected and his democratic colleague defeated, was that the vote of the other fusion nominee, Mr. James T. Kennedy, was split.

Henderson Goldleaf: On Tuesday night, August 14th, the C. C. Blackmail Chapter Daughters of the Confederacy will give an entertainment at Kittrell in aid of the Jefferson Davis monument fund.—The majority for the amendment in Vance county was 430. Aycock's majority being 361, or 28 behind the amendment.—Editor John T. Britt, of the Oxford Public Ledger, spent a few hours in Henderson Tuesday. He was feeling good over the result of the election in Granville, and he had cause to rejoice. The Public Ledger was an important factor in the achievements of Granville's democracy just as it has ever been in the political, industrial, educational and moral welfare of its town and county. The people do not really know how much they owe to their local papers.

We feel that as long as the party now in power continues to force negro collectors, negro postmasters and other negro officials upon the white people of North Carolina that the question should be agitated. What is the victory achieved August 2nd worth if we do not thoroughly eliminate the negro? He is lifting off nine-tenths of his power to vex and annoy us, is not the remaining one-tenth a matter of concern? We must be consistent. If the 1,000 negro office holders gotten rid of were a thing to be complained of, are the two or twenty that still hold office to be regarded as an evil that may grow? Here in short, is the matter as it appears to us. The white people are not satisfied with a partial victory. It must be a complete one, and in North Carolina as in the rest of the state no negro must be put in power over white men.—Wilson News.

Charlotte Observer: Shelby, August 11.—Two negroes, Hatcher Toms and Will Dawkins, had a difficulty yesterday while working at the brickyard of the Shelby cotton mill. Hard words were passed but no blows struck. Later in the afternoon Toms found Dawkins asleep and threw some dirt on him. Then as Dawkins sat up, Toms struck him just below the jaw with a stick, knocking him senseless. Toms then ran and has not yet been captured. A physician was summoned at once and for a time it seemed that Dawkins would die but he is now recovering.—Winston-Salem, August 13.—A negro excursion came here last Friday from Rock Hill, S. C., and returned Saturday night. On the return trip a negro man met with a serious accident. He claims that he was pushed off the train this side of Mocksville. Both legs were broken below the knee. The right arm was also broken. The man was brought back to Winston on a special train and attended by the company's physician. It is thought he will recover.—There were vivid displays of lightning at Salisbury yesterday afternoon, unaccompanied by rain. Mr. W. W. Reynolds was violently shocked while standing in the yard of the district Methodist parsonage. He was rendered unconscious for a time, but experiences no ill effects today from the accident except swollen hands.

A Futile Phrase

A Kansas gentleman, who is known locally as the "Bald Hornet," announces that he "didn't fight four years in the war of the rebellion for the purpose of confessing at this late date that government without consent is wrong."

There's a good deal in that, too. Among the many futile phrases that have seen service in this campaign, the phrase about the consent of the governed has contained perhaps the least magic and has influenced perhaps the fewest votes. Ethically the consent of the governed is a beautiful proposition; actually it doesn't amount to a hill of beans—that synonym for hopelessness. Mr. Bryan, weeping for the brown man and other end of the earth, is touching and uplifting spectacle; but if we let our eyes stray toward North Carolina, we see the colored brother deprived of his suffrage, with not an orator to voice a protest. While, north and south, many men know, at first hand, how the consent of the governed theory was shot to pieces in the troubled days that followed '61.—Chicago Journal.

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